# MONTANA PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT ADMINISTRATION (MPERA)



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#### MONTHLY WORKING RETIREE CERTIFICATION

On a monthly basis, you as the employer must file the Monthly Working Retiree Certification for each PERS retiree you employ. The hours reflected on the calendar must total the hours reported. TO BE CONSIDERED A RETIREE, A MEMBER MUST HAVE BEEN TERMINATED FROM SERVICE AT LEAST 30 DAYS AND MUST HAVE RECEIVED AND ACCEPTED THEIR FIRST RETIREMENT BENEFIT. IF BOTH CONDITIONS ARE NOT MET, THE RETIREE MUST BE REINSTATED TO ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP. All PERS retirees employed in a PERS-covered position must report the hours worked and the gross wages earned to the MPERA each month.

A retiree may work any number of hours in a PERS-covered position **during any calendar year**, but the retiree's retirement benefit will be **reduced** \$1 for each \$1 earned from employment when the following limits are exceeded:

- A. Under age 65, the retiree can work up to 960 hours without a reduction in their retirement benefit.
- B. A retiree age 65 to 70 ½ is subject to **either** the 960-hour limit **or** an earning limit, whichever is higher. The earning limit is equal to the member's highest average compensation adjusted for inflation. If the retiree's retirement benefit plus earnings exceed the earning limit, their retirement benefit will be reduced. We will apply whichever limit allows for the greater earnings.
- C. A retiree over 70 ½ has no earning limit and is **not** required to report their hours and earnings.

# REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR BACK OF FORM

Complete employee information.

#### TABLE A

- 1) Fill in month and year.
- 2) Fill in the days of that month in the upper right hand corner.
- 3) Write the hours worked on a daily basis. Label the type of hours (i.e. Jan. 3, 2005...6 RH 2 SL...this means that on Jan 3rd, the retiree worked 6 regular hours and used 2 hours of sick leave.)

### TABLE B

- 1) At the end of each month the total of regular hours, overtime hours, vacation hours, sick leave, holiday pay, etc. must be recorded in the space provided.
- 2) Fill in the rate of pay for each category, and then calculate the total pay in the wages column. Total all the wages.

Complete the employer information. Sign and date the form prior to returning to the MPERA. The retiree must verify all information on this form, then sign and date it. The retiree's signature meets their reporting requirements.

Complete the back of this form in its entirety.

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TABLE A		Month of		, 20			
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Report all hou	rs for pay in the	e appropriate cate	egory below. All time	e for which pay is	received must	be reported	
TABLE B		Hours	Rat	Rate of Pay		Total Wages	
REGULAR HOURS							
OVERTIME HOUR	RS						
VACATION							
SICK LEAVE							
HOLIDAY PAID							
HOLIDAY WORK							
COMP TIME							
TOTALS					\$		
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GENCY(required)							
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